

ABSTRACT

A retractable luggage wheel is described. A container (e.g. luggage) wheel control mechanism includes a container handle mechanically coupled to a container, configured to expand and compress, and a container wheel mechanically coupled to the container handle and responsive to movement of the container handle, configured to extend from the surface of the container when the container handle is expanded and to retract from the surface of the container when the container handle is compressed. Advantages of the invention include more compact luggage storage, easier luggage handling, and reduced damage to luggage wheels.